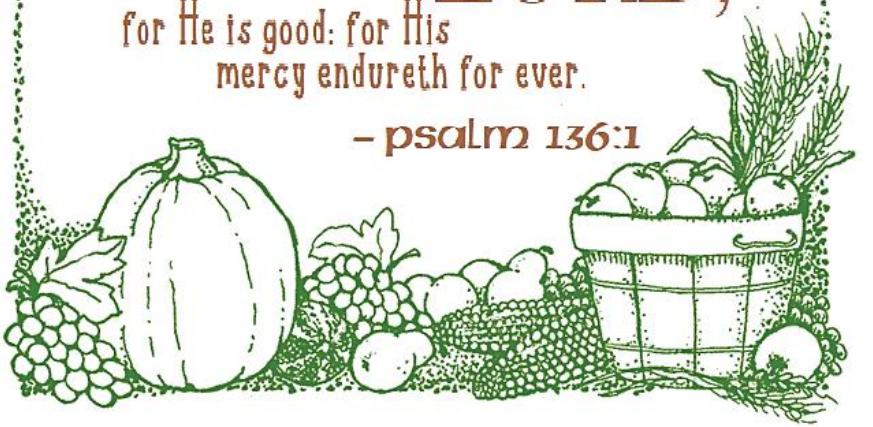
Valley Grace Brethren Church

of Armagh, Pa.

Being the Twenty-third Day of
the Year of our Lord 2025

O give thanks unto the
LORD;
for He is good: for His
mercy endureth for ever.

– psalm 136:1



THE LORD'S DAY

The Twenty-third Day of November, *in the Year of our Lord* 2025

- ONE-IS-YOUR-MASTER-AND-ALL-YE-ARE-BRETHREN -

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!

Sunday School—9:30 AM.

Answering Rome: "Did the Reformers promote chaos and disunity?"

Morning Worship—10:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* *"God is so Good"* (#433, v. 2).

Invocation.*

Hymn: *"We Gather Together"* (#546).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 148.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: *"God of our Fathers"* (#547).

Announcements.

Hymn: *"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"* (#543).

Dismissal of Youth for Children's Church.

Message: *"SO GREAT A SALVATION (PART VI)."*

Closing Hymn:* *"Count Your Blessings"* (#545).

Benediction.*

Stewardship Report; Week of Nov. 16 – Nov. 22:

Sunday School: 6; Morning Worship: 11; Midweek: 4; Offering: $455.00;

VIDEO (cumulative: *YouTube, Rumble, Facebook*):
"Christianity vs. Cultural Marxism:" 211 views.
"Capital Punishment & the Pope:" 251 views.

AUDIO (Internet Archive Audio):
"Cultural Marxism:" 20 listens; *"Capital Punishment:"* 30 listens.

PASTOR'S BLOG (https://reesepastor.blogspot.com):
"Facets:" 18 reads; *"He First Loved us:"* 18 reads; *"Generational Curses:"* 13.

NO MIDWEEK SERVICE (THANKSGIVING DAY!!!)

AFRICA UPDATE: Pastor Salomon Zambo (11/12/25)

SUBJECT: BROTHER TUNA ROBERT AT LAST RECEIVED JESUS!

Robert has been a husband of two wives and many children from Louma village, around 2 hours from Mfomakap. Among them we had now 3 of them who are attending Mfomakap GBC. He has never attended none of our churches around the district. He came to Mfomakap Medical Center because of Sabine her daughter, one of our deaconess who works there. Two days ago the gospel he has rejected was preached to him. Robert did not give his life to Christ after my message. The next day I had a deep conviction to go back to Robert yesterday morning to share again the Gospel. This time Pastor Moïse joined me again and translated in ETON dialect my message. Robert who was not able to talk these days, opened his mouth and confessed Jesus. In the evening He went to Heaven!

The hardened heart dear friends can be brokened with the Biblical Gospel and prayers. The Gospel is the Power of God for Salvation for whosoever Believes! Ro 1:16! We will be the one to bury Him! He has never been in one of our Churches neither in any other one! However He died a Member of Jesus Church! What a God we serve! Pray for all the Mobile Clinic Team! The next Outreach shall be in BICHOGMAM. We have serious spiritual attacks! The main leaders including Mary and I, Dr Sylviane and Joseph her husband etc... have been sick! We need prayers as we are leaving weak but strong in the Lord! As from Tomorrow we will witness, we believe hundreds of people in 3 days! Pray that many people be saved and come to the knowledge of the Truth so as to see another church to be established! Pray for safety! Matt 28:18-20!*—Salomon Zambo (1Cor. 15:57)***

This week's Sister Church: the North Buffalo GBC (Kittanning, PA)

Won't you please join us in prayer this week for the North Buffalo GBC at Kittanning, PA and for Pastor Matt Foreman? Pastor Matt (who was raised at the North Buffalo GBC) succeeded a great man of God, **Pastor Jim Rose,** as Senior Pastor in 2024. His dear young wife, **Elizabeth**, is sister to the Rev. Nathan Bramlet, a nearby Baptist pastor. Many of you are familiar with Matt, who has preached here on multiple occasions.

Matt may be our youngest **Allegheny District** pastor, but he is wise *far* beyond his years! He is currently supervising a ***CGBCI Practorium*** (i.e., theological training center) at North Buffalo, which includes such students as the Zambuto brothers (both of whom have spoken at Armagh). The church at North Buffalo has been blessed over recent years with a series of gifted pastors, including Bob Burns, Dick Cornwell, Dave Blevins, and Jim Rose. It is also the home church of Pastor **Chris Knight** (Listie GBC)!

OBSCURE BIBLE?

Ps. 19:7b: "The testimony of Yahweh is sure, making wise the simple."

Pastor Terry L. Reese, Valley GBC of Armagh, 11/14/25

An apologetic for Romanism is the claim that recognition of the Bible as the ***sole infallible authority*** leads only to *chaotic division*. Supposedly this argument bolsters Rome's claim that only an "infallible" Papacy can preserve us from disunity (Jhn17:21).

Similarly, Rome denies the ***perspicuity of Scripture***, which is the concept that the *main message* of Scripture is sufficiently clear—*any honest seeker* can understand those *core truths* that are essential for salvation! Perspicuity *does not mean* there aren't difficult passages (2Pet. 3:16), or that there cannot be honest differences concerning non-salvific matters. But it *does* mean that central affirmations concerning God, Christ, Salvation, etc., are fully understandable unto even the *humblest believer* with the guidance of the Holy Spirit (1Cor.2:10, Eph.1:17-18, 1John2:20-27).

The ***clarity of Scripture*** was the key impetus behind Luther and Tyndale's vernacular translations. When a Romanist scholar told Tyndale that men would be better off without God's Laws than the Pope's, Tyndale replied that his aspiration in translating the Bible into English was to have the commonest plowboy in England know more of the Scripture than the Romanist scholar himself did!

Are men *really* incapable of understanding clear and basic Gospel passages like Rom. 3:23, 5:8, 6:23; Eph.2:8-9; and John 3:16?

The Scripture ***itself*** assumes that it is *understandable* and that God has the ability to verbally communicate His will unto us!

- We are commanded to *relate it unto our children* (Dt.6:6-7)!
- We are commanded to share the *whole counsel* of the Word with *everyone* (Acts 20:27)!
- Paul attempted to *Scripturally* convince the Thessalonians (Acts 17:2)—implying that the Scriptures can be *understood!*
- Scripture makes *wise* the *simple* (Ps. 19:7)!
- It is *near* and *accessible;* we are thus *accountable* (Dt.30:11–14).
- Repeatedly, Jesus expressed His amazement at human ignorance (***"Have you not READ…?"***). Reading God's *understandable* Word will cure such ignorance!
- The NT Epistles were generally written unto CHURCHES—not simply to pastors, leaders, and rarified theologians!
- Note the various exhortations unto *public* reading (1Tim. 4:13; 1Thess. 5:27, Col. 4:16, Rev.1:3)!